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SENATE BILL

No. 203

Introduced by Senator Simitian

(Principal coauthor: Senator Speier)

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~~An act to amend Section 11325.9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to public social services. An act to add Chapter 2.995 (commencing with Section 7286.90) to Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 203, as amended, Simitian. ~~Welfare-to-work. Transactions and use taxes: County of San Mateo: parks and recreation.~~

The Transactions and Use Tax Law authorizes counties to levy transactions and use taxes as special taxes in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in that law.

This bill would authorize the County of San Mateo to impose a transactions and use tax for specified park and recreation purposes if certain conditions, including $\frac{2}{3}$ voter-approval, are met. This bill would also specify that, if the special tax authorized by the bill is imposed, the imposition would be in lieu of a specified transactions and use tax that the county would otherwise be authorized to impose as a special tax.

This bill makes legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute.

~~Existing law provides for the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program, under which each county provides cash assistance and other benefits to qualified low-income families. Each county is required to pay a share of the~~

~~cost of both aid grant and administrative costs for the CalWORKs program.~~

~~Existing law requires the State Department of Social Services to develop 3-year pilot projects in Alameda County, San Bernardino County, and Ventura County, at the option of each county, to create an integrated and coordinated case management system for the delivery of services to families receiving CalWORKs benefits, through the use of multidisciplinary service teams, as defined.~~

~~This bill would extend that requirement to apply to any additional participating county.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 2.995 (commencing with Section
2 7286.90) is added to Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and
3 Taxation Code, to read:

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5 CHAPTER 2.995. SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSACTIONS AND
6 USE TAX FOR PARKS AND RECREATION PURPOSES

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8 7286.90. (a) In addition to the tax levied pursuant to Part 1.5
9 (commencing with Section 7200) and any other tax authorized by
10 this part, the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo
11 may impose a transactions and use tax in lieu of, and not in
12 addition to, a tax imposed under Section 7285.5 for the purposes
13 described in paragraph (4), by the adoption of an ordinance in
14 accordance with this part if all of the following conditions are
15 met:

16 (1) The ordinance imposing the tax is approved by a
17 two-thirds vote of all members of the board of supervisors and is
18 subsequently submitted to and approved by the voters of the
19 county by a two-thirds vote of those voters voting on the
20 ordinance in accordance with Article 3.7 (commencing with
21 Section 53720) of Chapter 4 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of
22 the Government Code.

23 (2) The ordinance includes an expenditure plan describing the
24 purposes for which the revenues from the tax may be expended,
25 consistent with the purposes described in paragraph (4). The

1 *plan may provide for distribution of revenues to cities and*
2 *special districts within the county for implementation of the plan.*

3 *(3) The tax is imposed at a rate of 0.125 or 0.25 percent for a*
4 *specified period of time.*

5 *(4) The revenues collected from the tax are used only for park*
6 *and recreation acquisition, improvements, maintenance,*
7 *programs, and operations within the incorporated and*
8 *unincorporated areas of the county.*

9 *(5) The transactions and use tax conforms to Part 1.6*
10 *(commencing with Section 7251).*

11 *(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (3) of subdivision (a), the*
12 *Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo may impose a*
13 *transactions and use tax in any succeeding period if all of the*
14 *conditions specified in subdivision (a) are met for that*
15 *succeeding period.*

16 *SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law*
17 *is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable*
18 *within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California*
19 *Constitution because of the unique fiscal pressures being*
20 *experienced by the County of San Mateo in providing essential*
21 *park and recreation services.*

22 ~~SECTION 1. Section 11325.9 of the Welfare and Institutions~~
23 ~~Code is amended to read:~~

24 ~~11325.9. (a) The department shall develop three-year pilot~~
25 ~~projects in Alameda County, San Bernardino County, Ventura~~
26 ~~County, and any additional participating county, at the option of~~
27 ~~each county, to create an integrated and coordinated case~~
28 ~~management system for delivery of services to CalWORKs~~
29 ~~families who face multiple barriers to employment. This pilot~~
30 ~~program shall permit the exchange of information and records~~
31 ~~between members of a multidisciplinary services team for the~~
32 ~~purpose of coordinating services relevant to the prevention,~~
33 ~~identification, and treatment of the family's barriers to~~
34 ~~employment. Information shared between members of the~~
35 ~~multidisciplinary services team shall be maintained in a manner~~
36 ~~to ensure maximum protection of the family's privacy.~~
37 ~~Information shall not be shared between the team or otherwise~~
38 ~~disclosed, except as otherwise authorized by law, once an~~
39 ~~individual and his or her family no longer receive CalWORKs~~
40 ~~benefits or services.~~

~~(b) For purposes of this section and Sections 11325.91 to 11325.96, inclusive:~~

~~(1) “Multidisciplinary service team” or “team” means a team of two or more persons trained and qualified to provide one or more of the services listed in paragraph (2) who are assigned the responsibility, within an integrated welfare system, for identifying the educational, health, and social service needs of a member of an assistance unit, and for developing a plan to address those needs. Team members may include any of the following:~~

~~(A) Representatives of public employment services agencies under contract with the CalWORKs program.~~

~~(B) Psychiatrists, psychologists, or other trained counseling personnel involved in mental health treatment.~~

~~(C) Providers of substance abuse treatment.~~

~~(D) Medical personnel with sufficient training to provide health services.~~

~~(E) Any public or private school teacher, administrative officer, supervisor of child welfare and attendance, or certificated public personnel employee.~~

~~(F) Representatives of a domestic violence shelter.~~

~~(G) Probation officers.~~

~~(H) Social workers with experience or training in child abuse or abuse of elder or dependent adults.~~

~~(I) Representatives from public housing agencies.~~

~~(J) Other team members may be added if necessary and if approved by the client if the team member agrees to abide by the confidentiality requirements in Section 11325.93.~~

~~(2) “Integrated welfare system” means programs established by the state or by the pilot project county governments to provide two or more of the following services to households in which recipients of benefits under this chapter reside:~~

~~(A) Child welfare services.~~

~~(B) Employment services.~~

~~(C) Health care services.~~

~~(D) Mental health services.~~

~~(E) Substance abuse prevention and treatment.~~

~~(F) Child abuse prevention, identification, and treatment.~~

~~(G) Elder or dependent adult abuse prevention, identification, and treatment.~~

- 1 ~~(H) Public housing services.~~
- 2 ~~(I) Domestic violence counseling services.~~
- 3 ~~(J) Juvenile probation services. However, representatives of~~
- 4 ~~juvenile probation may provide information to other team~~
- 5 ~~members, but may not receive information, records, or copies of~~
- 6 ~~records, from other team members.~~
- 7 ~~(K) Educational services for children and adults.~~
- 8 ~~(L) Nutrition services.~~
- 9 ~~(M) Child care and development services.~~
- 10 ~~(N) Learning disability evaluation.~~
- 11 ~~(3) “Targeted population” means long-term welfare-dependent~~
- 12 ~~families with multiple barriers to employment, including, but not~~
- 13 ~~limited to, substance abuse, mental illness, child abuse and~~
- 14 ~~neglect, and domestic violence.~~